

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA  
INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION

IN RE: COOK MEDICAL, INC, IVC FILTERS  
MARKETING, SALES PRACTICES AND  
PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

Case No. 1:14-ml-2570-RLY-TAB  
MDL No. 2570

This Document Relates to Plaintiff(s)

ELVA GARCIA, as personal representative of the  
ESTATE OF RICHARD GARCIA, deceased

Civil Case # 1:20-cv-00225-RLY-TAB

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**FIRST AMENDED SHORT FORM COMPLAINT**

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COMES NOW the Plaintiff(s) named below, and for Complaint against the Defendants named below, incorporate The Master Complaint in MDL No. 2570 by reference (Document 213). Plaintiff(s) further show the court as follows:

1. Plaintiff/Deceased Party:

Richard W. Garcia

2. Spousal Plaintiff/Deceased Party's spouse or other party making loss of consortium claim:

N/A

3. Other Plaintiff and capacity (i.e., administrator, executor, guardian, conservator):

Elva Garcia, as personal representative of the Estate of Richard Garcia, deceased.

4. Plaintiff's/Deceased Party's state of residence at the time of implant:

CA

5. Plaintiff's/Deceased Party's state of residence at the time of injury:

AR

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6. Plaintiff's/Deceased Party's current state of residence:

AR

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7. District Court and Division in which venue would be proper absent direct filing:

Arkansas Western District Court - Fayetteville, AR; California Southern District Court - San Diego, CA

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8. Defendants (Check Defendants against whom Complaint is made):



Cook Incorporated



Cook Medical LLC



William Cook Europe ApS

9. Basis of Jurisdiction:



Diversity of Citizenship



Other: \_\_\_\_\_

- a. Paragraphs in Master Complaint upon which venue and jurisdiction lie:

Venue: Paragraph 27

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Subject Matter Jurisdiction: Paragraph 23

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Personal Jurisdiction: Paragraphs 24 and 26

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- b. Other allegations of jurisdiction and venue:
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10. Defendants' Inferior Vena Cava Filter(s) about which Plaintiff(s) is making a claim

(Check applicable Inferior Vena Cava Filters):

- ☐ Günther Tulip® Vena Cava Filter
- ☒ Cook Celect® Vena Cava Filter
- ☐ Gunther Tulip Mreye
- ☐ Cook Celect Platinum
- ☐ Other:

11. Date of Implantation as to each product:

11/24/2013

12. Hospital(s) where Plaintiff was implanted (including City and State):

Palomar Medical Center - Escondido, CA

13. Implanting Physician(s):

Dr. Michael Burke

14. Counts in the Master Complaint brought by Plaintiff(s):

- ☒ Count I: Strict Products Liability – Failure to Warn
- ☒ Count II: Strict Products Liability – Design Defect
- ☒ Count III: Negligence
- ☒ Count IV: Negligence Per Se



Count V: Breach of Express Warranty



Count VI: Breach of Implied Warranty



Count VII: Violations of Applicable AR, CA (insert State)  
Law Prohibiting Consumer Fraud and Unfair and Deceptive Trade  
Practices



Count VIII: Loss of Consortium



Count IX: Wrongful Death



Count X: Survival



Count XI: Punitive Damages



Other: see below (please state the facts supporting  
this Count in the space, immediately below)



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this Count in the space, immediately below)

Plaintiff incorporates all claims and facts alleged in Dkt. 18900

Defendants Expressly and Impliedly warranted that the Cook IVC Filter was a permanent lifetime implant

and downplayed the risks associated with migration, perforation, tilt, fracture, and other risk relied upon by

the Plaintiff to his detriment.

15. Attorney for Plaintiff(s):

Basil E. Adham, Johnson Law Group

16. Address and bar information for Attorney for Plaintiff(s):

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Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Basil E. Adham

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